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County of Kaua'i food distribution program to begin Saturday

LĪHU'E – The County of Kaua'i is pleased to announce a joint program with the Hawai'i Food Bank/Kaua'i Branch and the Kaua'i Independent Food Bank to provide 500 food boxes every Saturday from May 9 to May 30.

The first distribution will take place at Vidinha Stadium in Līhu'e on Saturday, May 9, at 2 p.m. These boxes are intended for Kaua'i families who are food insecure.

To be eligible, recipients must provide at least one of the following to demonstrate need for this emergency support:

- Med-Quest / Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) health insurance card;
- Letter from prior employer verifying unemployment: Letter of termination of employment or reduction of hours;
- Letter of eligibility for Unemployment Insurance (UI) benefits/ Proof of application to UI;
- Letter of successful Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) submission/ Proof of application;
- Card or letter of eligibility for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) or Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC), etc.;



- Letter of eligibility for Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP);
 - Proof of eligibility for Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Housing Choice Voucher Program (formerly the Section 8 Program); or
 - If you don't have any of the items listed above, please be prepared to verify your need
- Distribution sites were selected based on geographical location and ability to accommodate all aspects of the distribution services, such as vehicle capacity, traffic flow, etc.

The remaining food distribution days are as follows:

- May 16: Hanapēpē Neighborhood Center
- May 23: Kapa'a Ballfield (Bryan J. Baptiste Sports Complex)
- May 30: North Shore (site yet to be determined)

This program is being administered by the Kaua'i Incident Management Team and operated by the County of Kaua'i Department of Parks and Recreation (DOPR)/Recreation Division in partnership with the Hawai'i Food Bank/ Kaua'i Branch and Kaua'i Independent Food Bank, with support from the Kaua'i Police Department, Department of Health, and Hawai'i National Guard for traffic control. Mahalo to Alaska Airlines for their generous donations and support of this important program.

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